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Noting that it is no longer acceptable for children--both Native and non-Native--to be hurt by racist ideologies which justify and perpetuate oppression, this book presents a variety of contributions from Native American people concerning the Native American experience in books for children. The book includes: nine essays confronting the impact on children of stereotyping and distortion of history; 33 poems by Native Americans; essays on the Native American in children's literature; numerous book reviews; and a list of criteria for choosing non-racist and undistorted books about Native Americans. A list of 42 organizations concerned with providing accurate learning materials about Native cultures, a 170-item selected bibliography, and a 53-item annotated bibliography of books published before 1973 by Native Americans are attached. (RS)

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